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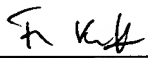
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In response to the office action dated April 3, 2003,
applicants request reinstatement of the appeal.

A supplemental Brief on Appeal is being filed concurrently
herewith.

The Examiner will note that the Appeal Brief has been amended to state that claims 2 to 5 stand or fall with claim 1. Accordingly, a discussion of the newly cited reference to Richardson, cited in rejecting claims 3 and 5, is not necessary.


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